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SUBJECT: COOPERATION WITH ROMANIA ON COUNTERING TERRORISM,  
INCLUDING HIJACKING

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1. SUMMARY: WHILE WE WISH BE GENERALLY FORTHCOMING WITH ROMANIANS, WE DO NOT BELIEVE BILATERAL HIJACKING AGREEMENT WOULD SERVE USEFUL PURPOSE, AND DO NOT WISH SIGNIFICANTLY EXPAND OR DEEPEN CURRENT INTELLIGENCE EXCHANGE. MORE FEASIBLE AVENUE FOR INCREASED COOPERATION WOULD BE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY FIELD.

2. AS EMBASSY AWARE, MAIN THRUST OF USG POLICY REGARDING  
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INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY IS TOWARD INVOLVING

AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN MULTI-LATERAL TREATY ARRANGEMENTS. THIS BEGINS WITH TOKYO CONVENTION AND INCLUDES MONTREAL AND HAGUE CONVENTIONS. ONLY SIGNIFICANT EXCEPTION TO THIS POLICY HAS BEEN CONCLUSION 1973 BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH CUBA WHERE URGENT SPECIAL PROBLEMS INVOLVING BOTH COUNTRIES MADE IT MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL GO BILATERAL ROUTE. HAPPILY NO PROBLEMS OF THIS NATURE EXIST OR ARE LIKELY TO ARISE BETWEEN US AND ROMANIA, REINFORCING OUR BELIEF NO BILATERAL AGREEMENT NECESSARY. WE HAVE TAKEN SAME POSITION WITH SOVIETS. EMBASSY MAY WISH DRAW ON FOREGOING IN EXPLAINING US POSITION. EMBASSY ALSO

SHOULD URGE ROMANIAN ACCESSION TOKYO CONVENTION AND RATIFICATION OF MONTREAL (SABOTAGE) CONVENTION WHICH HAS BEEN SIGNED BY ROMANIA AS BEST STEP TO INSURE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY. FYI ROMANIA HAS SIGNED AND RATIFIED HAGUE (HIJACKING) CONVENTION. END FYI. ROMANIANS SHOULD ALSO BE ASKED FOR GENERAL SUPPORT OF US EFFORTS IN ICAO TO STRENGTHEN CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY MEASURES.

3. PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS COVERING EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION SEEM SATISFACTORY ALTHOUGH WE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION PUTTING THEM ON MORE SYSTEMATIC BASIS AS SUGGESTED BUCHAREST 0208. WE WOULD NOT, HOWEVER, WISH RAISE SENSITIVITY LEVEL OF INFORMATION WE MIGHT PROVIDE. SPECIFIC ANSWERS TO FIVE QUESTIONS POSED EMBASSY A-322 BEING PREPARED AND WILL BE FORWARDED.

4. THUS INCREASED ATTENTION BY US TO ROMANIAN CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY APPEARS TO BE MOST FRUITFUL AREA OF COOPERATION. AS EMBASSY HAS NOTED, THERE IS COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF AVAILABLE USG PROGRAMS IN THE FIELD OF AIRPORT SECURITY AND ANTI-HIJACKING TECHNIQUES IN A-1288 OF FEBRUARY 12, 1973. IN ADDITION, FAA IS NOW OFFERING A COURSE IN AIRPORT SECURITY AT ITS ACADEMY IN OKLAHOMA CITY. THE TUITION IS 170 DOLLARS PER STUDENT WITH CLASSES OFFERED TWICE MONTHLY. SPACES ARE AVAILABLE FOR CLASSES BEGINNING MARCH 4 AND 18, APRIL 8 AND 22, MAY 6 AND 20, AND JUNE 3. FOLLOWING COURSE, THERE IS A THREE TO FIVE  
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DAY FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAM WITH AIRPORTS AND AIR CARRIERS TO OBSERVE THEIR SECURITY MEASURES AT NO COST TO PARTICIPANTS. COPIES OF THE PROSPECTUS OF THE COURSE ARE BEING POUCHED.

5. GOR WOULD BE EXPECTED MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR COST TRANSPORTATION, PER DIEM AND TUITION FOR THIS COURSE, AS WELL AS FOR MOST OF THE OTHER US PROGRAMS OUTLINED

A-1288.

6. OUR OBJECTIVES ARE: (1) MAINTAIN PRESENT CORDIALITY  
US-GOR RELATIONS; (2) ENLIST GOR COOPERATION WITH OUR  
MULTILATERAL APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL AVIATION SECURITY;  
AND (3) PROVIDE SOME TANGIBLE ASSISTANCE TO GOR IN MEET-  
ING ITS CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY PROBLEMS. EMBASSY'S  
VIEWS REQUESTED ON EFFECTIVENESS ABOVE-DESCRIBED AP-  
PROACHES TO MEET THESE OBJECTIVES. AMBASSADOR BARNES  
CONCURS WITH THIS MESSAGE. KISSINGER

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